**Production and Export of Pesticides**

1976. SHRIMATI ELA RAMESH BHATT: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the various pesticides being manufactured in the country and what are the details regarding the names of the manufacturers with production of each for 1986-87, also indicating the value of production;

(b) which of the pesticides were imported during 1986-87 with their names and countries which manufactured them and the value thereof;

(c) which of the pesticides were re-exported from India indicating the value and quantities and the countries to which exported;

(d) which of the pesticides were manufactured in and exported from India, with quantities and the countries to which exported and their value for 1986-87; and

(e) whether the Hindustan Insecticides Limited have undertaken R&D in Integrated Pest Management?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) The producton data for 1986-87 for major pesticides is attached. These data are not kept manufacturer-wise or by the value of production.

(b) to (d) Import and export data of pesticides for the year 1986-87 is yet to be compiled. Director General, Commercial Intelligent and Statistics, an agency under the Ministry of Commerce has firm figures of only upto 1985-86.

(e) No, Sir.

**Conference of State Power Ministers**

1977. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a conference of State Power Ministers was held in New Delhi in the last week of February, 1988;

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations of this conference;

(c) whether the Energy Minister in his inaugural speech stated that 50 per cent of transmission and distribution loss is due to theft; and

(d) if so, what are the main areas of theft and what steps Government have taken to minimise it/eliminate it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

The main recommendations of the Conference are as follows:—

1. Two Working group consisting of representatives of Deptt. of Power/ Central Electricity Authority and the State Electricity Boards (one from each region) may be formed for in-depth study of the following issues:—

(i) Steps required for strengthening of finances of State Electricity Boards.

(ii) Steps required for ensuring un-interrupted power supply for Core Sector industry in the Public Sector.

2. The State Electricity Boards whose plant load factor for Thermal Plants is less than the national average should make concerted efforts to improve the performance of their power stations.

(c) and (d) The transmission and distribution losses comprise (i) technical losses and (ii) commercial and/or unaccounted losses including theft of power. In a large system such as ours, it is difficult to precisely segregate the technical and commercial losses.

Central Electricity Authority have issued comprehensive guidelines to